

# HEARD FROM THE CURB

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## Recycling in Frisco Makes "Cents!"

**\$922,360**

Landfill disposal cost savings  
to the city by recycling in 2017



This year, Frisco residents diverted an amazing **33%**  
of their total household waste from the landfill.



**18,724 tons**  
of recycling  
collected curbside



**3,391 tons**  
of yard waste  
composted



**21 tons**  
of cardboard pick-ups  
from new residents

## Styrofoam and Plastic Bag Recycling

Frisco recycled **12 tons** of Styrofoam  
and plastic film for  
recycling in 2017;  
drop yours off at  
6616 Walnut Street!

**7,315**  
pounds of  
batteries



**370**  
pounds of  
plastic bags

## Special Recycling in Frisco Schools

## International Walk-to-School Day

**24 schools** held events  
to celebrate Walk-to-School  
on October 4, 2017.

## "Clean It and Green It" is Frisco's Annual Earth Day Celebration!

**2,225 total volunteers** picked up litter and helped beautify Frisco during Clean It and Green It 2017.

This year's event takes place on Saturday, April 21, 2018. Pre-registered volunteers will receive litter clean-up supplies, t-shirts & a FREE lunch provided by IKEA (while supplies last).

Visit our website at [www.FriscoTexas.gov/CleanItandGreenIt](http://www.FriscoTexas.gov/CleanItandGreenIt) to learn more!



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# CHUNK YOUR JUNK

**8 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

**February 17, 2018**

**At 6616 Walnut Street**



Map and more information available at  
[www.FriscoTexas.gov/ChunkYourJunk](http://www.FriscoTexas.gov/ChunkYourJunk)

**Event is for Frisco residents only.**

Driver's license and Frisco water bill with matching address are **REQUIRED** to drop off all items.

**Event entry will be from southbound 1st Street only.**

All other entrances will be **CLOSED**. Please consult map online at [www.FriscoTexas.gov/ChunkYourJunk](http://www.FriscoTexas.gov/ChunkYourJunk).

**Because of time constraints, residents must be in line by 11:30am to receive service.**

Large crowds are expected, so please come early.

Residents may bring the following items for safe disposal, recycling or donation.  
To reduce idling time, items are listed in the order which they can be unloaded at the event.

## Special Collection! Book Donations for the Frisco Public Library!

Please bring books, magazines, DVDs/Blu-Rays, CDs, board games, video games and puzzles for the library.  
Tax season is ahead of us! A library staff member can provide a tax receipt at the time of donation.

**1. Prescription medications \***

**2. Plastic bags & bagged Styrofoam**

**3. Bundled cardboard**

**4. Paper shredding \*\***

**5. Yard waste / untreated wood**

**6. Metal / appliances \*\*\***

**7. All items for trash**

**8. Refrigerators \*\*\***

**9. HHW / Electronics \*\*\***

**10. Donations for Medina Children's Home**

**11. Book Donations!**

\* **Please remove all pills from bottles ahead of time, and place them in a single bag.** Bottles are recyclable. Please do not bring needles or syringes. No liquid prescriptions except for cough medicine containing Codeine. A Frisco police officer will be on site to supervise disposal.

\*\* **A free paper shredding service will be provided.** There is a four box limit per vehicle (max box size 12"W x15.5"L x10.5"H). No commercial accounts accepted. Note: This same service is provided on the 2nd Saturday of every month for a small charge, with no waiting in line.

\*\*\* **Driver's license AND City of Frisco water bill with matching address are required to dispose of HHW, electronics and refrigerators/Freon.** Disposal charges are billed to Frisco utility account for appliances with Freon (\$40). Limit two (2) TVs and no more than 50 total gallons of paint & HHW.

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW)** includes household chemicals, paint, gasoline/oil, batteries, lightbulbs, etc.  
**IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER** Chunk Your Junk will move to Saturday, February 24 at 6616 Walnut Street.  
**THE NEXT CHUNK YOUR JUNK** will be on Saturday, April 21 at IKEA (7171 IKEA Dr).

Don't wait in Chunk Your Junk lines! You can dispose of the above items in **RED** every week at 6616 Walnut Street (**Wed 2-5pm and Sat 8am-1pm**)!

## The Environmental Collection Center: A Year in Review

**3,128**

Participants in 2017  
Chunk Your Junk events

**153**

Tons of hazardous  
materials collected  
and neutralized

**13**

Tons of cooking  
and motor oil  
recycled

**102**

Tons of electronics  
recycled

**8,798**

Environmental Collection  
Center visitors in 2017

**This is 14% more  
visitors than in 2016!**

**98**

Tons of paint  
disposed of  
safely



**117**

Tons of metal  
recycled



**12**

Tons of batteries  
recycled



Tons of products Frisco  
residents obtained for free  
from The Reuse Center



### HHW: STEP-BY-STEP

- 1. SEPARATE** all chemicals.
  - 2. SEAL** all containers.
  - 3. DELIVER** to 6616 Walnut Street during our special drop off hours: Wed 2pm-5pm & Sat 8am-1pm
- DON'T FORGET** your driver's license & a copy of your City of Frisco water bill!



### NEW! ENVIRO WORKSHOPS

All workshops take place in the McCallum Room at City Hall (6101 Frisco Square Blvd).

- Register at [FriscoTexas.gov/GoGreen](http://FriscoTexas.gov/GoGreen) -

#### Alternative Energy

Wednesday, February 14 - 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

#### HHW: It Came From Beneath the Sink

Friday, March 16 - 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

#### Green Cleaning

Saturday, April 28 - 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

#### Biking for the Environment

Saturday, May 12 - 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

#### Buy Local

Thursday, June 7 - 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

#### Natural Cosmetics

Saturday, July 7 - 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

#### Eco-Friendly Eating

Friday, August 10 - 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

#### Native Plants

Saturday, September 8 - 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

#### E-Waste... Less!

Friday, October 19 - 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

#### Recycling 101

Friday, November 2 - 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

#### Green Your Routine!

Friday, December 7 - 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

### DO YOU HAVE EXPIRED RX MEDICATIONS?

A police officer will be available to accept these at all Chunk Your Junk events. For safety reasons, we do NOT accept medications at the Environmental Collection Center.

### TEENS 4 GREEN

Teens 4 Green is an award-winning service-based club for Frisco teens. In 2017, the club received an **Environmental Excellence Award from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)**!

Teens 4 Green offers opportunities for teens to make a "green" difference right here in Frisco, all while earning volunteer hours for school credit.

If you are in 6th-12th grade, have a passion for the planet, and would like to join, it's easy!

Visit us on **Facebook**, sign up to receive our **text notifications** about upcoming volunteer events, and subscribe to our **e-newsletter** at [FriscoTexas.gov/Teens4Green](http://FriscoTexas.gov/Teens4Green) today.



### REDUCE HARMFUL CONTAMINATION!

Some waste items can be hazardous, and may pose a danger to drivers and equipment.

Please help us protect the truck drivers and the workers at the MRF (Material Recovery Facility)!

#### DON'T put leftover chemicals in carts...

Chemicals, aerosol cans and paint can react and leak in the truck when under pressure.

Bring household hazardous waste to 6616 Walnut Street during our special collection hours (Wed 2-5 p.m. & Sat 8 a.m.-1 p.m.). Just show us your driver's license and a current copy of your Frisco water bill and we will collect these items safely at no charge!

### ADOPT-A-STREET

#### Show the planet how much you care this Valentine's Day. Adopt-A-Street in Frisco!

Groups can "Adopt a Street" in Frisco by cleaning both sides of a one-mile stretch of road, five times each year. For your service, we'll install a road sign with your group's name displayed on it!

Visit [FriscoTexas.gov/Adopt-A-Street](http://FriscoTexas.gov/Adopt-A-Street) to sign up or learn more, or contact our Adopt-A-Street Coordinator, at 972-292-5904.



### SERVICE DAY TIPS

It's easy to follow our simple set-out guidelines on your service day. Remember: Carts set out properly can be serviced quickly and efficiently!

**DO:** Place carts **at least 3 feet from ALL objects** (this includes vehicles, fences, gas meters and even other carts).

**DO:** Make sure your **lawn crew** does not block your carts on your trash day.

**DO:** Place carts at the **edge of your driveway**, and not up by your house.

**DO:** Face both carts **toward the street or alleyway**.

**DO:** **Bag all recycling and trash** to help prevent litter.

**DO:** Place **yard waste in brown lawn bags and bundle limbs**.

**DO:** Dispose of **paint, chemicals, electronics & aerosol cans** at Environmental Services, Wednesday 2-5 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

### LARGE ITEM DISPOSAL

#### "I have LARGE TRASH ITEMS that won't fit in the bin."

**SOLUTION: The Bulk Pickup.** This is a FREE pickup that takes place on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th Saturday of the month, depending on your address. No more than five (5) items per month. List closes at noon the Friday before your bulk day. Call us to schedule, at 972-292-5900.

#### "I have a LARGE METAL APPLIANCE that I'd like to recycle."

**SOLUTION: The Metal Pickup.** This is a \$15 metal recycling pickup that takes place every Thursday. Schedule at [www.friscotexas.gov/recycle](http://www.friscotexas.gov/recycle).

#### "I just moved in and have a HUGE PILE OF CARDBOARD boxes!"

**SOLUTION: The Move-In Cardboard Pickup.** This is a one-time FREE pickup of moving boxes and packing paper for recycling. Call us at 972-292-5900 before Friday at noon to schedule a Saturday pickup.



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## WATERWISE AT HOME

**10%** of homes have leaks that **waste 90 gallons** or more per day.



A shower leaking at **10 Drops** per minute wastes more than **500 gallons** per year

Water-efficient toilets save up to **4,000 gallons** of water a year



A leaky faucet dripping at the rate of **1 drip** per second can waste more than **3,000 gallons** per year

A **broken sprinkler head** can waste up to **25,000 gallons** of water a year



The City of Frisco offers homeowners a **FREE** sprinkler system checkup with an on-staff licensed irrigator. Call today **972.292.5800** for an appointment.



### FOLLOW **FRISCO'S** WATERING SCHEDULE

- Watering with an automatic sprinkler system is permitted once per week on your regularly scheduled residential trash/recycling day.
- Residents can water using a hand-held hose, soaker hose, or dedicated drip/bubbler system up to two hours daily.



### WATERWISE NEWSLETTER

Subscribe to the Weekly WaterWise Newsletter, delivered right to your inbox, for lawn watering recommendations from Frisco's own weather station. Each edition is brimming with gardening tips, water supply updates, and priority registration for WaterWise workshops.